

GERMAN DIVISION NEARLY ANNIHILATED BY THE BELGIANS

Under French Officers English Land-
ed Today on Continent to Reinforce
French and Belgian Armies Against
the German Invasion.

NO ARMISTICE YET IN BATTLE OF LIEGE

Forts at Strategic Entry Into France Are
Holding Out—Portugal Indicates She
Will Stand by England, According to
Their Ancient Treaty.

London, Aug. 8.—A despatch from Brussels says a division of German cavalry which succeeded in fording the river Meuse north of Liege was surprised and practically annihilated by Belgian cavalry and infantry, supported by a battery of light artillery. The route was complete and seven German regiments surrendered.

The Belgian war office issued an official statement that 125,000 Germans participated in the assault on the forts of Liege but that they completely failed to make an impression on the fortification. Three army corps engaged in the attack were cut up and rendered useless, the officials declare.

According to late despatches this morning an important engagement between French and German soldiers occurred in Belgium Luxembourg.

A despatch from Milan says the Italian authorities at Genoa seized two German trans-Atlantic vessels, the Moltke and Koenig-Albert. The action was taken when the captains demanded a supply of coal though they already had coal aboard.

London, Aug. 8.—No armistice at Liege has been granted, and it is officially announced that the forts there are holding out.

A despatch from Lisbon says that Portugal would place herself on the side of England, according to their ancient treaty.

Paris, Aug. 8.—It is officially announced that English troops under French officers are disembarking on French soil.

Brussels, via Paris, Aug. 8.—Many of the people of Liege have made their way out of the city, fearing an epidemic more than the bombardment.

German prisoners, whom a correspondent questioned, acknowledged freely the courage and tenacity of the Belgian troops who are now opposing the German advance. The prisoners were treated with consideration and on the way to Brussels were supplied at the stations with beer and bread.

The excitement in Brussels, since the arrival of the wounded, has increased, if such were possible. There is much optimism however, concerning the military situation. The events before Liege are considered as merely the raising of the curtain and it is thought that Belgium may once more be the country where the destinies of Europe will be decided.

Brussels, Aug. 8., via London.—Trains filled with wounded and fugitive non-combatants arrived here yesterday from Liege and neighboring towns. The military trains with prisoners on board were sent from Liege to Antwerp.

The Belgian troops appeared to be in the best of spirits when the train left Liege. They declared that if there had not been ten Germans to one Belgian, not one German would have come through their lines. Though in good spirits the Belgians were partly exhausted, having fought for fifty hours without rest.

Some of the wounded Belgians, witnesses of the fighting, say they saw Germans mowed down by hundreds in front of the trenches and entanglements by the gun and rifle fire of the Belgians, but that they were replaced by others who crawled forward like weasels. In certain places in the fighting zone the ground was covered with dead, the burial of which it was said would take at least a week.

Portugal Casts Lot With Great Britain.

Lisbon, Aug. 8.—Portugal's decision to support Great Britain in a general European war was announced to-day after Germany had demanded information of her intentions.

Brussels Via London, Aug. 8.—Details of the latest fighting at Liege are still lacking but the newspapers report brilliant feats by the Belgian defense up to Thursday night. According to the press, the German invaders, expecting a weak defense were greatly surprised at the splendid fight made by the Belgians, who themselves suffered severely in resisting the German assaults.

Though Liege is defended by forts 30 years old, many modern devices were employed by the skillful Belgian commander. Barbed wire and mines, together with artillery, strengthened the field between the forts. The Germans, failing to determine accurately the position of these field works, were cut down by the wholesale when they attempted to pass between the forts.

On Wednesday night the German seventh army corps made a tremendous assault, with the aid of searchlights, but the Belgians by a daring counter attack from the heights of Wandre, a village four miles northeast of Liege, compelling the attacking forces to retreat in disorder toward Maestricht on the left bank of the Meuse, about 15 miles north of Liege.

Another assault by the Germans upon the Chateau Langres under cover of a heavy artillery fire was defeated by the Belgians who blew up the Chateau.

LINER CINCINNATI IN AMERICAN WATERS

Big Hamburg-American Ship Reached
Cape Cod Safely at 5 O'clock This
Morning.

Boston, Aug. 8.—The Hamburg-American liner Cincinnati arrived in American waters off Cape Cod at 5 o'clock this morning.

GIVEN HIS PASSPORTS.

German Consul-general at Winnipeg
Asked to Leave Canada.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 8.—Rudolf von Collenberg, the German consul-general here, was handed his passports by the Canadian authorities here yesterday with the request that he leave Canada within 24 hours.

Consul-General Dillingham of the United States has been asked to take charge of the German consulate.

Consul-General Dillingham is a Vermont and a brother of Senator Dillingham.

ON SECRET MISSION.

Cruiser North Carolina Left Boston Last
Night.

Boston, Aug. 8.—The armored cruiser

BODIES OF GERMANS HEAPED IN TRENCHES

In Some Places They Lie About
Liege in Piles Four and Five
Deep, According to Belgian
Soldiers.

Brussels, Aug. 8.—Soldiers returning here report that the trenches around Liege are literally filled with bodies of Germans. In some places the bodies are piled four and five deep.

North Carolina left Boston last night under sealed orders. It was generally expected that she would join the cruiser Tennessee which left New York Thursday night with gold for Americans stranded abroad.

No confirmation of the report that the North Carolina carried \$50,000 in gold could be obtained. On board the cruiser were two American consul generals, a vice-consul and eight consuls.

Consul-General Charles E. Denby, who landed in this country Monday, was returning to his post at Vienna. Consul-General George Horton was instructed to return to Smyrna. J. W. Garrett, minister to Argentina, was bound for Berlin to assist the American consul there.

The North Carolina is commanded by Capt. J. W. Oman and carries a crew of 750 men.

LIBAN FORTRESSES STILL HOLDING OUT

Although Badly Damaged by German
Fleet's Bombardment, Says a
Stockholm Report.

Stockholm, Aug. 8.—The captain of a schooner arriving from Liban reports heavy bombardment by the German fleet and the fortresses badly damaged, but still holding out.

GERMAN CRUISER REPORTED SUNK

The Augsburg, Which Bombed Port
of Liban, Said to Have Been De-
feated by Russian Tor-
pedo Boat.

Paris, Aug. 8.—A despatch to a local paper says the German cruiser Augsburg, which bombarded the Russian port of Liban, has been sunk by a Russian torpedo boat.

"FORWARD WITH GOD"

Cries Emperor William in Appeal to His
Subjects.

Berlin, via London, Aug. 8.—A proclamation by Emperor William addressed to the German nation was published in the Official Gazette yesterday. The text was as follows:

"Since the foundation of the German empire it has been for 43 years the object of the efforts of myself and my ancestors to preserve the peace of the world and to advance by peaceful means our vigorous development.

"Our adversaries, however, are jealous of the successes of our work and there has been latent hostility to the east, west and beyond the sea.

"This has been borne by us till now, as we were aware of our responsibility and our power.

"Now, however, these adversaries wish to humiliate us, asking that we should look on with folded arms and watch our enemies preparing themselves for the coming attack.

"They will not suffer that we maintain our resolute fidelity to our ally who is fighting for her position as a great power and with whose humiliation our power and honor would equally be lost.

"So the sword must decide.

"In the midst of perfect peace the enemy surprises us. Therefore, to arms! Any dilly-dallying and temporizing would be to betray the fatherland.

"To be or not to be is the question for the empire which our fathers founded. To be or not to be is the question for German power and German existence.

"We shall resist to the last the threat of man and horse and shall fight out the struggle even against a world of enemies.

"Never has Germany been subdued when she was united.

"Forward with God, who will be with us as he was with our ancestors."

DEFENDING CANADIAN BRIDGES.

All Austrian and German Reservists
Placed Under Arrest.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 8.—Canada has taken steps to prevent information as to preparations for the defense of the country. Following the establishment of press censorship an order was issued yesterday giving German and Austrian consuls and aliens of their nationality 24 hours to leave the Dominion.

All Austrian and German reservists in Canada are being placed under arrest. It is understood that they will be assembled under guard in camp until the close of the war.

RAINS HAMPER GERMANS

By Swelling the River Meuse and Its
Tributaries.

London, Aug. 8.—A despatch from Brussels says heavy rains are swelling the river Meuse and its tributaries and retarding the German advance.

MADE APPEAL TO ITALY.

English Papers Ask That Nation to
Rally Against Common Enemy.

London, Aug. 8.—The papers appeal to

Italy to abandon neutrality and come against the common enemy.

English military critics criticize the tactics of the German infantry exhibited at Liege. They contend that Germany learned nothing from her recent wars and still adheres to methods adopted in the Franco-Prussian war.

BRINGING TEN WOUNDED SEAMEN.

German Cruiser Is Proceeding to Port
With Them.

Amsterdam, Aug. 8.—A wireless message reports that the German cruiser en route for Ymuiden is bringing ten men who were wounded in a naval engagement.

ACCUSED OF ARSON

AT CASTLETON

Frank H. Sherman, Gr., Arrested After
Inquest Into Cause of Fire Which
Destroyed John Jones Slate
Company's Mill.

Rutland, Aug. 8.—As the result of an inquest before Judge Horace M. Redfield at Castleton yesterday, Frank H. Sherman, Jr., was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Beech, charged with arson. Later in the day Mr. Sherman was arraigned before Justice W. C. Rice, pleaded not guilty, waived examination and was bound over to the September term of county court, bail being set at \$1,500. This amount of surety was furnished.

Sherman stands charged with setting fire to the John Jones Slate Co.'s mill, which was totally destroyed by fire on April 27, the blaze being discovered about 2:30 o'clock in the morning.

It is said there was ill feeling between several employees of the company and Mr. Sherman, the man detained, and his son, both of whom were employed by the concern.

The fire was discovered by the engineer of a passing train, and his whistle was sounded as a warning to the people of the village. The plant was situated just west of the main village.

The plant had been vacated since Saturday afternoon and the cause was a mystery and at the time supposed to be incendiary.

E. N. Northrop, who is manager of the concern, is thought to have received some letters from the Shermans relative to the discharge of some of the employees, and it is understood that an ultimatum was enclosed in these communications.

BANK BOARD COMPLETED.

Senate Confirmed Appointments of War-
burg and Delano.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 8.—Nominations of Paul M. Warburg of New York and Frederic A. Delano of Chicago as members of the federal reserve board were confirmed by the Senate last night. With the confirmation of Mr. Warburg and Mr. Delano, the new banking board is now complete and can proceed at once to the organization of the reserve system under the new currency law.

Other members of the board are W. P. G. Harding of Birmingham, Adolph C. Miller of San Francisco, Charles S. Hamlin of Boston and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Comptroller of Currency Williams as ex-officio members.

The confirmation of the New York and Chicago members came at the close of a five-hour debate, most of the time having been consumed by Senator Brewster of Kansas, who devoted his speech to an attack upon Mr. Warburg, whose nomination he opposed from the beginning.

In the course of the debate Senator Brewster and Senator Stone of Missouri became involved in a heated personal argument which for a time looked threatening. The senators finally subsided at the urgent request of their respective colleagues.

Eleven senators voted against Mr. Warburg, only one of them, Lane of Oregon, being a Democrat. Senator Brewster was the only senator to vote against Mr. Delano.

Senator Brewster sought in vain to have the Senate make public testimony taken in the hearing of Mr. Warburg before the banking and currency committee.

NOT FULLY CONSCIOUS YET.

Mrs. James Becket Whose Head Struck
Pole in Auto's Swoon.

Burlington, Aug. 8.—Mrs. James Becket, the Vergennes woman, who was injured at Charlotte Thursday by her head striking a telegraph pole when the automobile in which she was riding came in contact with a mail box on the pole, is reported from the Mary Fletcher hospital as being in about the same condition, but with a show of some improvement.

The force of the blow in the accident made her unconscious and she has not yet fully regained her senses. It is not known yet whether she is injured internally or not. She bled profusely from the mouth and nose when she was carried to the hospital, and it was also thought that she might have concussion of the brain.

BODY FOUND IN WOODS.

George A. Allen of Burlington Had Been
Missing Since Tuesday.

Burlington, Aug. 8.—The body of George A. Allen of East Avenue was found at about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the woods at the rear of the Ira Allen school, where it is thought to have lain since Tuesday. Mr. Allen left home Tuesday morning and in the afternoon was seen lying, supposedly asleep, beneath a tree at the edge of the woods.

Yesterday afternoon his daughter, in company with some friends, was in the vicinity and she recognized his clothes. Dr. Nolan was summoned and stated that death was due to heart failure.

The body was in a badly decomposed condition and was taken to the undertaking rooms of F. J. Dwyer, where the funeral will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon with interment in Green Mount cemetery. Mr. Allen was 37 years of age. He was born and had always lived in this city and was a carpenter by trade. He is survived by three sons, George T. Allen of Rochester, N. Y., John C. and James C. and by one daughter, Marguerite K., all of this city. Mrs. Allen died about five years ago.

ITALY CALLS TO ARMS

Italian Consulate at Malta
To-day Sent Out Summons
For the Reservists to As-
semble in Readiness for
the Mobilization of Italian
Army

ITALY HAD DECLARED HER NEUTRALITY

Since Which Time Germany
Had Repeated Her De-
mand That Italy Support
Her in Accordance With
the Agreement of the Tri-
ple Alliance.

Malta, Aug. 8.—The Italian consulate here to-day issued a call for the reservists.

Rome, via Paris, Aug. 8.—The German government is using its utmost efforts to bring about a change in Italy's attitude in the present European situation. Direct appeals have been made to King Victor Emmanuel, but all in vain.

Italy's position as a member of the triple alliance, and therefore an ally of Germany under certain conditions, has been discussed in every phase and the general consensus of opinion seems to be that the Italian people would never permit an act of hostility against France and Great Britain.

Because Italy is neutral, all manifestations for or against the belligerents are being rigorously repressed. Yet everywhere spontaneous outbursts of enthusiasm for France have occurred. In Rome there have been frequent cries of "Long live France! Long live our Latin brother!" and the Marseilles is being sung in the streets.

The French embassy here and the French consulate in other cities of Italy are receiving offers from men who wish to join the French forces.

CENTRAL VERMONT POMONA

Will Meet With Middlesex Grange
August 1.

A special meeting of the Central Vermont Pomona grange will be held with the Middlesex grange, No. 80, Wednesday, Aug. 12, with the following program:

10:30 a. m., fifth degree meeting, and report of subordinate grange, and necessary business. Dinner and social hour.

1:30 p. m., public session; music. Middlesex grange; greeting. George R. Munn; response. F. C. Bancroft; vocal solo, W. E. Brown; paper, "The Ladies of the White House," Mrs. William Clapp; recitation; music, Middlesex grange; discussion, "Which is the more profitable, mixed farming or specializing?" opened by O. L. Martin; recitation; paper, "The Farmer's Wife and Home," Mrs. D. J. Camp; music Middlesex grange. Mrs. A. B. Washburn, lecturer.

TALK OF THE TOWN

N. L. Schriever, who has been spending a week in the Barre granite belt on business, returned to-day to his home near Boston.

Kimball Morse, formerly proprietor of the City hotel who has been passing several days in the city, returned to-day to his home in Providence, R. I.

Out of respect to the memory of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the president, the flag of the federal building is flying at half mast.

At the home of Mr. Taylor on Warren street last evening a number of young women gave a surprise party in honor of Miss Ethel Mortimer of Bridgeport, Conn., a former resident of Barre, who is passing the summer in town. There was a diversified program for the entertainment of those who attended and one of the pleasurable features came when Miss Mortimer was presented a finger ring. Refreshments of ice cream and wafers were served.

Small boys and a sprinkling of old ones who ought to be identified with more legitimate enterprises have commenced a campaign on apple trees in different sections of the city. Early apples are beginning to ripen, but the ripe apples are not always sought. Last night midnight marauders visited a Summer street man's orchard and denuded one of his trees of half its fruit. A ruthless attempt to despoil the tree was being made when the owner appeared and thwarted the activities. Two or three large branches had been broken when the boys saw things that made them flee. The orchard owner identified two members of the party and steps will be taken to identify others if the depredation continues, as the man contemplates setting a bear trap among the trees. Small orchardists in other parts of the city and outskirts have also had their troubles with the boys.

WIRE COMPANIES HURT BY STORM

Both the Telephone and Electric Service
About Barre Was Affected by the
Electrical Storms of Last
Night.

Around 9 o'clock last evening one of the most furious storms of the season broke over the city and for a few moments threatened heavy damage. A brilliant electrical display, accompanied by sharp peals of thunder, preceded the storm and continued at close intervals while the rain was falling. A driving wind from the southwest added to the strenuousness of the affair and to facilitate the dumping of much moisture over the parched earth, the air cooled sufficiently to freeze the water into little balls of ice that did considerable damage to hay and grain on the outskirts. Last night's storm was of short duration and followed one of the hottest days of the summer.

This morning at 4 o'clock there was noise of heavy firing overhead and within a few moments the valley was in the grip of a second big storm. This time the wind remained in the background, but there was plenty of thunder and a repetition of last night's vivid lightning display. Once or twice, it is believed, lightning struck outside the city, although it wrought no appreciable havoc here in town.

The chief sufferers are the Consolidated Lighting Co. and the Vermont Tel. & Tel. Co. At the offices of the lighting company this morning, the partial destruction of two transformers was reported. At the south end a large transformer located near Robins Bros' plant was burned out and a five-kilowatt transformer at the Quinlen hotel on North Main street was badly wrecked by the storm. All over the city fuses were blown out and linemen in the employ of the company had their hands full to-day. It is expected that everything will be going smoothly on the company's lines to-night, although the power on a few circuits was shut off during the forenoon.

The telephone company fared even worse than the lighting people. No fewer than twenty-five lines were out of commission to-day. Officials of the company when interviewed to-day said the damage was caused by both storms. Several lines were rendered useless by the evening storm and others were crippled this morning. The telephone company assigned their linemen to the disabled lines at daybreak and it was hoped that the service interruption would be of short duration.

From the way the weather man talked to-day it looks as though the intense humidity of the past two days may continue until to-morrow or Monday. Yesterday the mercury joined the floor and meat prices in an upward flight and careful observers reported registrations as high as 89 and 92 in the shade. A Richardson street man who is usually up with the songsters in the morning looked at his thermometer not long after daybreak to-day and saw the indicator pointing at 70. This, he says, is the warmest early reading he has taken this summer. Through the day, it was thought, and over night, more thunder showers may develop, but it doesn't follow of necessity that cooler weather will come.

TALK OF THE TOWN

John S. Burns returned to-day to Northfield, after a short visit in the city. Mrs. William Kelley left yesterday for a few weeks' visit with relatives and friends at Boston and Salem, Mass.

Mrs. Albert Tracy, who has been engaged at the Boyce tailor shops for the past few months, will complete her duties there to-day.

Miss Coralie M. Hatchelder of this city has been engaged to act as teacher in the public schools of Brandon. She has been assigned to the third grade.

Edward L. House of West street, who has been absent on an automobile trip to Quebec and other points in Windsor county, resumed his duties at the Miers' barber shop this morning.

Noble S. Love of Tremont street returned this morning from Boston, where he has been making a few days' stay with Mrs. Love and little son, Kendall, who are at the beach for the summer. Mr. Love, who has been employed at the Drown pharmacy for the past few months, will complete his duties to-night. He leaves to-night for Boston to make an extended visit with relatives and later will go to Hartford, Conn., to visit his brother, George Sector.

Work on the excavation for the new hotel on Washington street is well under way, a gang of men and several teams have been employed to get the site ready for the foundation.

The foundation of the new hotel on Washington street is well under way, a gang of men and several teams have been employed to get the site ready for the foundation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ruhland of New York, who are making an extended visit in the city as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. McDonnell of Richardson street, returned to the city yesterday from an automobile trip through the White mountains. They stopped at Pike, N. H., where they were joined by their daughter, who has been passing the summer at a camp conducted on the shores of Lake Catherine. Mr. and Mrs. Ruhland and daughter plan to return to New York in about two weeks.

Claude Drue, the tailor, who was the first in Barre's cosmopolitan population to receive a call to arms, swung aboard a Central Vermont train last night for New York, where he was due to present himself at the French consulate on Bridge street this morning for registration.

A handful of Mr. Drue's countrymen as well as those of his compatriots whose Canadian birth does not hinder them from expressing fealty to the French flag, gathered at the station to bid the reservist good speed. A few moments before the train rolled away from the platform, Mr. Drue was presented a silken flag, the French tricolor in miniature. Patriotism ran high as the time for departure drew near, but there was no demonstration. Drue plans to sail with the first group of French citizens to leave this country.

Free Tuition and Teachers' Examination.

Examinations of applicants for free tuition and teachers' certificates for residents of Barre City and Barre Town will be held in Spaulding high school, Barre, Aug. 13 and 14, beginning at 8:30 a. m. G. J. Seager, Supt.

BOLTS FROM SKY KILL AND BURN

St. Albans Farmer Met
Death While on Load
of Hay

MUCH LIVE STOCK ALSO SACRIFICED

Two Large Barns In Frank-
lin County Destroyed
Last Night

St. Albans, Aug. 8.—The large barn of L. L. Marsh, Enosburg Falls, situated near Lake Carmi in Franklin, was struck by lightning last evening and was destroyed by fire. The barn was full of hay which was lost with the building, also a cow, a bull, seven calves and many hens.

Seven cows belonging to P. C. Hammond were killed by lightning. They were lying near a wire fence.

A large barn on a farm at Sheldon Junction, owned by Dr. E. M. Brown of Sheldon, was struck and was destroyed.

FARMER WAS KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Warren S. Stilphen Was Riding on Load
of Hay from Field to Barn—Electricity
Made Marks on Face—Hired Man, Ernest Bird, on Ground Nearby, Unhurt.

St. Albans, Aug. 8.—Warren S. Stilphen, aged about fifty years, whose home was in the Tullar district, was struck by lightning and almost instantly killed yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock while driving from the field to the barn on a load of hay.

The hired man, Ernest Bird, was on the ground, going to open a gate for the load of hay to pass through when he saw Mr. Stilphen fall backward. Neighbors, George Scholtus and another man, working in a nearby field, saw Mr. Stilphen as he was struck, his hat going up into the air and they ran to his assistance. When they reached him his pulse was barely beating. Dr. A. A. Skeels was summoned from this city but the man had expired before he reached him. There was a cut on the left temple and livid marks on that side of the face and on the neck and chest.

The horses ran away but it is not known whether they felt the shock of the lightning or not. They ran about the field until they freed themselves from the hayrack, when they ran to the barn. Young Bird did not feel the shock.

People living in the Tullar district say they did not consider the storm very severe.

Mr. Stilphen was unmarried and is survived by two sisters, Miss T. Minnie Stilphen, who had lived with him on the farm for about thirty-eight years, and Miss Elizabeth Stilphen of St. Paul, Minn.

The arrangements for the funeral are not completed.

Several barns along the Mississippi river are reported struck by lightning.

JOHN C. BASSETT DEAD.

Had Lived in Vicinity of Barre All His
Life.

John C. Bassett, a life-long resident of Barre, died at his home on the east hill in the town yesterday afternoon at 4:15 following illness with heart trouble, with which he had been ill since last February. The funeral is to be held from his late home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. E. F. Newell officiating. It is requested that no flowers be sent.

Mr. Bassett was born on June 24, 1872, and early in life learned the stonecutters' trade, being employed in various plants in Barre for about ten years, when he left that work and began farming, an occupation which he had followed for nearly fifteen years.

He was a member of Cobble Hill grange. He leaves his wife, who was Anna Beckley, and a daughter by a former marriage; also his mother, Mrs. John Jamieson and three brothers, Clinton and Bert of Barre Town, and Hayes of Cabot.

SERIOUS FIRE DAMAGE.

Morrisville Farmer Lost House and Barn
Yesterday.

Morrisville, Aug. 8.—Fire late yesterday afternoon destroyed the house, shed and horsebarn on the farm of Reuben Cheney in the south part of the town. The insurance is \$1,000, but the loss will be much greater, as nothing was saved from the house except a few chairs, a table and some clothing. Also lost with the barn was a quantity of farm machinery, including a new mowing machine which had not been set up. The cowbarn and horses were saved. The fire started from an oil stove on the rear porch.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. Charles Plouff of 188 South Main street went this morning to Burlington, where her husband is to undergo an operation for the removal of a growth on his neck. Mr. Plouff preceded her to Burlington several days ago and entered the Fanny Allen hospital.

A number of young men of the city came together Thursday evening for a farewell party in honor of Al H. Gerhardt, who leaves to-night for Mansfield, O., after having been in charge of the local office of Townsend & Townsend for several years. The affair took the form of a dinner and it was during a short program of post-prandial exercises that James N. Gail, speaking for the company, presented the retiring message. Mr. Gerhardt made a feeling response.